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| Indication | Target/marker/ pathway | Summary | Licensing status | Publication and contact information |
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| Transplantation | ı | | | |
| Graft-versus-host disease (GvHD) | Lymphotoxin-α (LTα) | Studies in mice suggest that blocking LT α could help treat GvHD. Mice with grafts lacking LT α had fewer signs of GvHD than controls. Next steps could include further confirmation of the results with available LT α inhibitors in other models of GvHD. | Findings unpatented; unavailable for licensing | Markey, K. <i>et al. Blood</i> ; published online Sept. 29, 2009; doi:10.1182/blood-2009-01-199927 Contact: Geoffrey R. Hill, Queensland Institute of Medical Research, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia e-mail: geoff.hill@qimr.edu.au |
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